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Phone funds

JMU looking to install \$4.85 million system

By Karen Brown
staff writer

A \$4.85 million telephone system will be installed here if legislators approve it.

Gov. Charles Robb's proposed budget gives JMU permission to install the system, but it doesn't give the funds.

The system would be paid for over 10 years with student fee increases and state telecommunication project funds, said Lin Rose, assistant to President Ronald Carrier.

Each year the state earmarks tax funds to be used for such projects.

It is too early to estimate the student fee increase, he said.

If the budget is approved, installation will take about six months, Rose said. The system would be installed by August 1985.

Because of space and mechanical problems, a new system must be installed, Rose said. "We have to do it, it's not a question of choice."

Rose said the current system, installed 15 years ago, "meets or exceeds the lifetime of that kind of system."

Physical space is not available to expand the system, he said. Parts and trained maintenance

people for the system are unavailable, he said.

The current switch is located in the basement of Wilson Hall. The new system also would be located in Wilson, but would need only 20 percent of the space required for the old system.

And "with the deregulation of the telephone industry, increases in leasing can be expected to rise considerably, four or five times the rate of inflation," he said.

The current system cannot handle JMU's volume of calls efficiently.

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JMU's longest bus — Two buses parked in a line Wednesday at the shelter in Godwin Hall's parking lot appear to be one long bus. The shelter is covered with plastic because it is being painted. (Photo by Yo Nagaya)

SGA asking board to appoint student member

By Donna Sawyers
staff writer

The SGA will request that a student be appointed to JMU's Board of Visitors at the board's meeting Wednesday.

"Because of the difference in ages between the students and the

members of the board, a direct voice from the students' generation will lead to a more balanced perspective," SGA President Isabel Cumming said.

The SGA has been trying to get a student on the board for four years, Cumming said.

She said she is surprised a student

has not be appointed.

"JMU is one of the more student-oriented governments. It seems unusual not to have one."

The board is the governing body of JMU. It has the final word on all university policy, but because it meets only about five times yearly, it is not involved in the day-to-day ad-

ministration of JMU.

Gov. Charles Robb signed a bill in 1982 permitting non-voting student representatives of Virginia colleges to be on boards of visitors. All

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Clark signs

Gary Clark signed a contract with the USFL's Jacksonville Bulls. Page

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Time warp

That's how one JMU student described the sensation of sky diving. Page

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JMU aiming at April to pick vice president

By Gwen Fariss
assistant news editor

JMU has received about 150 applications for the position of vice president for academic affairs.

A new vice president is expected to be named by April. "It's just a matter of totaling up the scores," said Dr. Donald McConkey, chairman of the search committee responsible for filling the position.

The committee is reviewing the applications and will trim the list to 25 by February, he said. The finalists will be interviewed by the committee after spring break ends March 11.

"We're right on schedule," McConkey said. "I was getting a

little worried because during registration when department heads are busy, we were behind."

The position was vacated in June when Dr. Thomas Stanton left JMU to become president of Francis Marion College in South Carolina.

Dr. William Nelson, head of the political science department, was chosen interim vice president Sept. 2.

Nelson has been hospitalized with pneumonia. McConkey said Nelson's illness will not affect the committee's deadline, even though Nelson also is a member of the search committee.

"We may go ahead and make a cut without his reading of the papers, just to save some time," he said.

Nelson has pneumonia; hospitalized since Sunday

By Tammy Scarton
news editor

Dr. William Nelson, interim vice president for academic affairs, has been hospitalized since Sunday with pneumonia.

His condition is "improving," said a Rockingham Memorial Hospital spokeswoman Wednesday.

Nelson, 59, also is political science department head.

Belinda Babb, Nelson's

secretary, said she talked to him Tuesday.

"He was in a good mood. He was cutting up and fooling around," she said.

"He said doctors hadn't indicated to him when he could leave the hospital or come back to work."

Nelson left work early Jan. 19 because he was ill, she said.

Dr. Harold McGee, vice president for administrative affairs, is filling in for Nelson during his illness.

corrections

► JMU cadets do not have the authority to arrest anyone. Cadets take people they see drunk in public to the police station or find someone to take them home. Incorrect information was given on page 3 of the news section of the Jan. 23 issue of *The Breeze*. These were reporting errors.

► Karen Adams said the traditional graduation ceremony is "something I've been looking forward to for three years." She was incorrectly identified in a news story in the Jan. 23 issue of *The Breeze*. This was a reporting error.

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Board

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Virginia public schools have a board.

Students are on the boards at the University of Virginia, Virginia Commonwealth University, Virginia Tech, George Mason University, William and Mary, Mary Washington College and Old Dominion University.

An ODU spokesman said having a student on the board "has brought a needed perspective to the board, especially since so many issues impact on students. It has also brought the board and the administration closer to the students and has contributed to creating a more positive climate on campus."

At JMU the SGA president serves on the board's Student Life and Education Committee.

At most of the schools the student is the SGA president, but does not have to be.

Cumming said criteria for the student has been set, but the board can set new criteria.

The student must have earned at least 60 credits here and have a 2.5 quality point average, maintain good

academic and social standing and be active in a variety of student activities.

If approved, the position will begin July 1 because regular board appointments are effective July to July.

Applications would be available in the vice president for student affairs' office in Alumnae Hall.

The student would be on the board until he or she graduates, is removed or resigns.

The applications would be screened by a five-member committee. The committee would be made up of two students appointed by the SGA, two faculty members appointed by President Ronald Carrier and the chairperson appointed by the Board of Visitors.

The committee then would interview the top five and select three finalists.

The board would interview the final three and submit its choice to the governor for approval.

If the student resigns, one of the remaining finalists will be appointed.

JMU's board consists of 11 members. Members are chosen by the governor. JMU has had a board of visitors since 1964.

Phone

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It has the capacity for 3,500 lines. The new system would provide for about 4,500 lines, Rose said.

The four operators would be retrained. Additional staff would not be hired.

The project will be funded by a revenue bond. This means the state gives JMU permission to borrow money which must be repaid by revenue other than taxes.

The University of Virginia is the only state agency using a digital switch system, but the system is only for administrative use, Rose said.

Administrators and students would use the system here, he said. Features like being able to forward calls and knowing when someone is trying to call while the line is busy might be available in residence halls in each room. Rose said it would depend upon the vendor if there would be extra charges for these additional services.

By owning the system, JMU would avoid the cost of leasing the system, he said.

"Over the lifetime of the system, with expected increases in costs (in private industry), we will see

savings" in the long run, he said.

"It will be like operating a small telephone company right on campus."

JMU now leases telephone services from Continental Telephone of Virginia. The current telecommunications budget here is \$700,000, which includes telephone services.

Rose said JMU is looking for a consulting firm to help develop a proposal for the system, make financial feasibility and engineering studies.

The proposal would then be offered to a vendor. Corporations expected to bid for that position include AT & T, Rolm, GTE, Northern Telecommunications and Intercom.

A firm would be selected in mid-February that would work with the Virginia Department of Communications to develop a system proposal.

The digital switch is the most expensive part of the system, Rose said.

JMU also must pay for the unit's software support, maintenance and service, cable to replace and expand the previous system and telephone instruments. It must also pay a firm to upgrade the unit's software as the system develops, he said.

Rose said he could not give exact costs until a vendor is selected.

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is looking for 1984-85 staff members. If interested in working in any position from March 1984 to March 1985, pick up an application at The Breeze office or call 6127.

Decline is first in 10 years

SAT scores drop 23 points

By Karen Brown
staff writer

For the first time in 10 years, Scholastic Aptitude Test scores for entering freshmen dropped from the previous year.

The average score of 1983-84 entering freshmen was 1,028. Last year the average score was 1,051.

This year's freshmen averaged 537 on the math and 491 on the verbal sections of the test. Last year's freshmen averaged 548 in math and 503 in verbal.

Dr. William Jackameit, director of planning, budget and analysis, said the lower scores do not mean the quality of students is lower. A 1,028 score is "respectable" and "is well above the national average," he said. The 1983 national average for college-bound students is 893.

A correlation might exist between the drop in test scores and a higher enrollment of minority students, he said.

"We had quite a few more minorities this fall — and minority students do tend to have lower SAT scores on the average," he said.

There are 548 minority students enrolled here — 460 blacks, 44 Asians, 37 Hispanics and seven American Indians.

This fall, 180 black freshmen enrolled.

Dr. Fay Reubush, dean of admissions, said a connection between the score decline and the black enrollment increase cannot be determined because the averages are not broken down into groups.

"You can't draw a statistical inference from a minor shift like that," she said.

Reubush said a student's high school class rank,

extracurricular activities and grade point average are considered in the admission process. "The College Board itself recommends that the SAT not be used alone for criteria for admission. We look for a good, solid college preparatory high school program," she said.

Dr. John Mundy, affirmative action officer,

YEAR	ENROLLMENT	SAT AVERAGE
1983-84	9242	1028
1982-83	9043	1051
1981-82	8710	1047
1980-81	8377	1032
1979-80	8337	1031
1978-79	8015	1019
1977-78	7126	1010
1976-77	7659	1003
1975-76	7343	988
1974-75	6341	963
1973-74	6266	957

said JMU, following state orders to increase black enrollment, might have accepted blacks with lower SAT scores than the average JMU student.

Admission counselor Forrest Parker said higher SAT scores might have been sacrificed during admission in exchange for the diversity black students bring to JMU.

"You have to give to get," he said.

A 1982 College Board study stated the average math score for minorities was 402 and the average verbal score was 373. Comparing all minority groups, black students scored the lowest, the study stated.

The average math score was 362 and the average verbal score was 332 for blacks.

The average math score was 483 and the average verbal score was 444 for white students.

The study said blacks had lower scores because of "the wide differences in family-income, home environment and educational opportunities."

Jackameit said the scores of 51 students who entered JMU this summer as part of a special transition program for blacks, might have affected the lower average here.

"If they weren't in there (transition student's scores) I'm sure the average would have been higher," he said.

Parker said, "Generally their (the transition students') scores may have been lower, but some were over" the average.

Nationally, SAT scores have dropped 44 points to 893 since 1972. In Virginia, the scores declined 31 points to 888 since 1972.

SAT scores rose the last two years, according to the College Board.

SGA opposes raising drinking age

By Donna Sawyers
SGA reporter

The SGA voted unanimously Tuesday to oppose the drinking age to 21.

The vote was made as a bill of opinion. A bill of opinion states the SGA's view. No action will result from the vote.

Frederikson senator Beth Kesler proposed the bill. She also recommended that the SGA seven-member Legislative Action Committee continue to lobby against raising the age at the General Assembly.

The drinking age was raised to 19 on July 1, 1983.

SGA President Isabel Cumming said, "They (legislators) haven't given the previous law a fair shot. If they wanted to raise it to 21 they should have done so in the first place."

The bill was proposed to help the lobbying efforts of the Legislative Action Committee, Kesler said. The committee presents JMU students' views to the General Assembly.

Kesler encouraged students to write their delegates opposing the age increase.

Other action at the meeting:

► A bill to fund half the costs — about \$20,000 — to build a pavilion

Group funds \$10,000 for picnic pavilion

across Interstate 81 passed unanimously.

In a bill of opinion last year, the SGA proposed that students have a semi-secluded picnic area near campus.

A proposal was sent to the JMU Planning and Development Commission and drawings were done in the fall.

The picnic structure will be almost exactly like the one at the university farm, said Bob George, administrative vice president.

The university will fund the other half.

► The SGA also unanimously passed a bill of opinion stating the General Assembly should fund more of JMU's operating costs so tuition will not increase.

► The SGA voted to fund the Catholic Campus Ministries' Catch A Ride Safely program \$830.50.

CARS is a service for students who have been drinking or don't want to ride with someone who has been drinking. Volunteer students

will drive them home.

Cumming said, "If we can save one person's life or even keep one from getting arrested, the money was worth spending."

Kesler said, "This way students aren't driving drunk and aren't getting arrested."

The group requested \$1,496, but the SGA Finance Committee reduced the amount by deleting costs for business cards, an answering machine, service request forms and a log book.

The committee also reduced telephone charge estimates from \$300 to \$125.

It also reduced funding from \$93 to \$46.50 for 2,000 brochures.

Chairwoman Sandra Adams said the committee wanted to help CCM fund the program, but it felt some of the items were unnecessary.

► Helen MacNabb, Building and Grounds Committee chairwoman, said steps will be built between the village dorms and the Convocation Center.

A trash dumpster and a light will be placed at at Presidential Apartments. The light will be put at the bus stop. The driveway will be paved as soon as the weather allows, she said.

Temporary lights will be put by the outdoor steps at Weaver Hall. Lights are ordered and should arrive in six weeks, MacNabb said.

► Greek senator Mark Douglas proposed the SGA give \$250 to Superdance, a 28-hour marathon sponsored by JMU fraternities and sororities.

The proposal was sent to the Finance Committee.

► Chandler senator David Forbes proposed that the SGA give \$250 to the International Association of Business Communicators to cover expenses for two speakers. Al Wann, National IABC president, and a person from the U.S. Information Agency will speak.

The proposal was sent to the Finance Committee.

► Douglas also proposed students who live on Greek Row be allowed to purchase partial meal contracts. The houses have full kitchen facilities, he said.

The proposal was sent to the Food Services Committee.



21-month-old Timothy Wade enjoys a whirl from his mother, Rae, in Godwin Hall Saturday night.



2-year-old Kahlil Dietrich takes his car for a spin.

The fun bunch

Photos by Greg Fletcher



Mathew Wade (left), the oldest gang member at 3, runs with Kahlil.



Timothy gets a tumbling lesson from his mom while 1-year-old Antara Dietrich does the judging.

Asbestos

Lack of funds and time causes removal delays

Asbestos probably will remain in 10 campus buildings for at least two more years.

"You can't speed up the process," said James Auckland, JMU plant engineer.

"The time factor is very important," he said. "We don't want to be involved in a project like that (asbestos removal) during the school year."

A lack of funding also has hampered the removal process, Auckland said. About \$500,000 is needed to remove asbestos from the buildings.

"We have a tight budget these days," he said. "It's tough to come up with money like that."

But "the administration is proceeding with whatever it takes to remove it."

Three years after its discovery, asbestos remains in the equipment rooms of Garber, Chappellear, Dingledine, Hanson, and Weaver halls, and in the lounge areas of Frederikson, Ikenberry, Huffman, and Eagle halls, and on some of the steel beams above the ceiling in the Warren Campus Center, Auckland said.

It will cost about \$300,000 to remove asbestos from the WCC this summer, he said.

A total of more than \$600,000

already has been spent on asbestos removal, he said.

It was removed from Godwin, Jackson, Harrison and Shorts halls, Duke Fine Arts Center, the lounge area of Garber Hall, the equipment rooms of Fredrikson and Huffman halls and the trash rooms of seven Village dorms. The substance was not in the trash rooms of Weaver and White halls.

'The administration is proceeding with whatever it takes to remove it.'

It was removed from Gibbons Dining Hall over Christmas break.

Funding for the removal comes from two sources and depends on the type of building, Auckland said. A general state fund is used to finance the removal in academic buildings.

The university uses a non-general, or auxiliary fund, to pay for the removal in the dining hall, the cam-

pus center and dormitories.

JMU began removing asbestos from the buildings in 1981. The substance was discovered in 1979.

Asbestos is "a general term applied to any mineral that can be easily separated into flexible fibers and that can be spun to make non-combustible fabrics," according to a 1979 booklet issued by the Office of Toxic Substances of the En-

"The latency period between exposure and appearance of the disease is sometimes as many as 20 to 40 years."

Auckland said, "I seriously doubt if anyone here suffers anything because of asbestos. The percent of asbestos in the contents is not high enough."

"If people don't bother it, it causes no damage."

Maintenance personnel face greater risks than students from the asbestos because most of the substance is located in the ceilings of trash rooms, storage rooms, and electrical rooms — areas usually not frequented by students, he said.

Workers wear plastic suits while removing asbestos. Plastic barriers are installed to seal all openings. The insulation is sprayed with water that keeps the asbestos fibers together. The insulation then is scraped off the walls.

No federal governmental regulations requires the removal of asbestos, Auckland said. But Virginia, following EPA guidelines, requires the removal of the substance.

The cost of installing the original asbestos ceiling was about 75 cents per square foot. The cost of removing and replacing the asbestos is \$6.50 per square foot, Auckland said.

**James Auckland
plant engineer**

vironmental Protection Agency.

The booklet stated that there is "a serious exposure problem that can occur in all types of buildings in which certain asbestos-containing

materials have been used . . . Individuals who are then exposed to the asbestos could develop lung cancer, or cancers of other parts of the body.

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newsfile

New magazine to be available here Monday

A science fiction and fantasy magazine, written and published by a junior communication arts major, will be distributed here Monday.

The magazine, called Threshold, is a 16-page newspaper-like publication, Hal Vaughan said.

The first issue will contain two stories. "Under the Moondust" is part of a continuing series called "Even Heroes Die." Set in the year 2023, it follows the character Dennis Androw through his 1,000-year life.

"Undead" portrays a character who moves into a house inhabited by a ghost. "It's a bittersweet supernatural love and romance story," Vaughan said.

Vaughan began working on the magazine last October. "Some of the ideas about starting the magazine came from Rick DeJarnette and his Humorist Manifesto," he said.

Humorist Manifesto, a humor magazine based on National Lampoon, was published by student DeJarnette.

Advertisers halted the magazine's distribution because they objected to its "obscene content."

"I know what not to do from talking to him," Vaughan said.

Vaughan said the first issue was funded through local advertisers. He contacted perspective advertisers in December. "Even the merchants who wouldn't advertise agreed to distribute the magazine," he said.

Vaughan said the magazine cost "between \$200 and \$250, plus additional expenses such as gas, computer disks, and paper."

About 3,000 free copies will be printed and distributed at various campus and community locations.

Michael Way, assistant director of student affairs, said, "The University is going to give permission to Mr. Vaughan to distribute on campus." Distribution locations have not been determined.

Vaughan plans to publish Threshold bimonthly.

Threshold may be the needed "breakthrough to start off my career" as a writer and director, he said.

— Charlie Hannon

Debate team wins awards

A JMU debate team reached the quarter-finals before being eliminated in the Patriot Debate Tournament at George Mason University held Jan. 20 to 22.

The team of Annetta Clarke and Brian James were defeated in the quarter final round by a University of West Virginia team. They completed preliminary rounds with a 6-2 record.

The team of Richard Horan and Jeff Kwiatkowski finished preliminary rounds with a 4-4 record. They did not qualify for elimination rounds.

In the junior varsity division, the team of Jeanne Swanick and Thomas Gibbs reached the semi-finals before losing to George Washington University. They had a 5-3 record in the preliminary round. They were defeated in the quarter-final round by a Liberty Baptist College team.

Tara Riley and Robert Russell reached the quarter-finals but were defeated by George Washington University. They compiled a 5-3 record in the preliminary debates.

In the novice division, Eileen Drotleff and Mark Lau were defeated in the final round by George Washington University. They completed preliminary rounds with a 4-4 record. They received a second place trophy for their finish in the tournament.

Steve Singleton and Robert Yocum compiled a record of 2-6 in the novice division.

Awards were given to top individual speakers in each division.

Horan received an eighth place award in the varsity division. In the junior varsity division, Gibbs received a fourth place award and Swanick received a sixth place award. In novice, Singleton received a third place award and Drotleff received fifth place.

Grade reports show different listing

A new computer system uses different grade report listings for better record-keeping.

Beginning last semester, classes dropped during the free drop-add period are listed on grade reports as "NG" (No Grade).

Dr. Fay Reubush, dean of admissions and records, said, "It has absolutely nothing to do with the GPA and it won't be on your transcript."

The "NG" confirms that a student registered for a course and then dropped it from the final schedule, she said.

Classes dropped after the free drop-add period, but before the final semester course withdrawal deadline receive a "W" (Withdrawal) on the grade report, Reubush said.

After the final withdrawal deadline, a student receives a grade for any course listed on his final schedule.

— Vicky Balenger

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policefile

Library thefts increase

By Kim Gibson
police reporter

Campus police have reported a recent increase in the number of thefts in Madison Memorial Library. Commonly stolen items include wallets, purses and textbooks.

Police caution students about leaving items unattended in the library.

Items stolen

► A wallet, an emerald ring and Pulsar watch were stolen from the second floor of Madison Memorial Library, campus

police said.

The theft occurred sometime between 5:05 p.m. and 5:25 p.m. Jan. 16. Total value of the items is estimated at \$410.

► A student's textbook was stolen from the library sometime between 9:30 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. Jan. 17, police said. The book is valued at \$26.95.

► A men's locker in Godwin Hall was broken into sometime between 11:30 a.m. Jan. 18 and 9:45 a.m. Jan. 19, police said. A sweatshirt and a pair of tennis shoes were taken from the locker. Police said they do not know the value of the items.

► A men's locker in Godwin Hall was broken into sometime between 9:55 a.m. Thursday and 11:15 a.m. Friday, police said. A wallet containing about \$10, a room key, and various identification

cards were stolen. Police said they do not know the value of the items.

Assault and battery

► A student was charged judicially with assault and battery, campus police said.

A judicial charge is made when university policy is broken. It is reviewed by university judicial officials. Police do not release the names of those charged judicially.

The male student was charged about 10:20 p.m. Friday after scuffling with two other male students. No one was seriously injured in the incident, which occurred between Chappellear and Dingledine halls.

Vandalism

► Three washing machines in the basement of Ashby Hall were vandalized, police reported. The coin-insert parts of the machines were broken sometime between Friday and Monday. Police did not know the cost of the damage.

Public drunkenness

► A student was charged Jan. 19 with public drunkenness.

Paul Loudon, 30, of Richmond was arrested about 2:20 a.m. near the Hillside trailers.

Harrisonburg police recently made the following arrests:

Possession of controlled substances

A student was arrested and charged with possession of controlled substances Friday, Harrisonburg police said.

► Gary Webb, 23, of Newport News was arrested about 3:20 p.m. at the Harrisonburg Police Department.

Drunken driving

A student was arrested and charged with drunken driving Friday morning, police said.

► James Renfro, 18, of Springfield was arrested about 1 a.m. on Gay Street.

Public drunkenness

Four students were arrested and charged with public drunkenness.

► Richard Kirk, 19, of Fairfax was arrested about 12:30 a.m. Saturday at Midway Downtown on Main Street.

► Christopher Allan, 19, of Fairfax was arrested about 12:40 a.m. Saturday at Midway Downtown.

► Darci Dobyns, 21, of Vienna was arrested about 1:15 a.m. Saturday at the city jail.

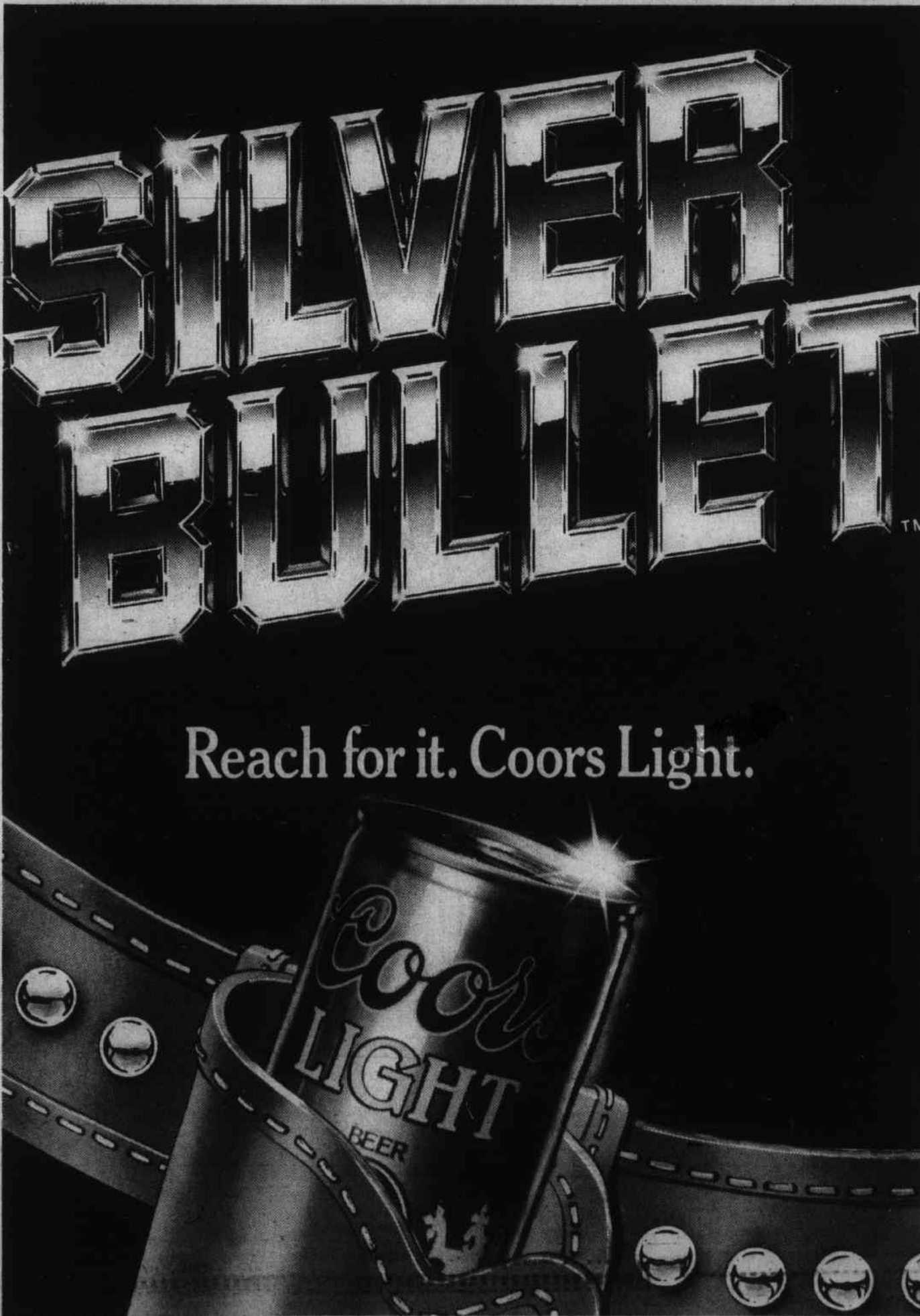
Parking lots rules change

Campus police announced a reversal in parking regulations for two JMU parking lots.

H parking lot, located between Gifford, Ashby and Jackson halls, now is exclusively for faculty and staff Monday to Friday 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

From 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., the lot is open to commuter and night students. H-lot also now is open for all students or faculty 8 p.m. to 7:30 a.m. Monday to Friday and 5 p.m. Friday to 7:30 a.m. Monday.

A-lot, located between Wilson Hall and Maury Hall, now is exclusively faculty and staff parking 7:30 a.m. Monday to 5 p.m. Friday. The lot will be open for student or faculty parking 5 p.m. Friday to 7:30 a.m. Monday.



Inside Arts & People



Don't tell Mom... but one jump leads to another

By Tammy Scarton
staff writer

"Why would anybody want to jump out of a perfectly good airplane?" asked my mother when I said I was going skydiving.

I had been talking about it for years — she should have had plenty of time to prepare herself. The JMU Outing Club sponsored a trip to the New River Valley Parachute Center in Dublin, Va. and I jumped at the opportunity.

Crouching on the plane's step platform is wild. Here I am at 2,800 feet: over half a mile above the ground. Winds of 70 mph burn my face and bring tears to my eyes as my hands clutch the wing strut. The jumpmaster shouts, "Go!"

Stepping off, I'm disoriented, but I automatically begin counting, "Arch thousand, two thousand." The parachute opens without a snag before I reach three thousand. I check the billowing, khaki mushroom above my head to make sure no lines are crossed, both panels are open and the material is not ripped. Everything's wonderful. I grab the toggles — two small wooden knobs attached by strings to the canopy used for steering.

And then I enjoy the ride.

It's like a time warp. Time is suspended as I float downward. I have no sensation of falling — my stomach doesn't feel like it is over

my head or under my feet like in an elevator. The silence, almost eerie, is unbelievable. I want to sing or hum, just to be sure I'm not deaf.

Soon the ground pilot's voice crackling over the radio strapped to my harness breaks the silence as he gives instructions: "Jumper number one, pull your left toggle all the way down." I did and went in a circle. "Let go of it, jumper number one."

Looking below, my classmates are ants. The matchbox cars slowly move down the road. This is the best scenic overlook I've ever visited.

The leg straps cut into my thighs so I wiggle around a bit. Several male jumpers had more than their thighs cut by the straps.

I swing and cross my legs contemplating life's mysteries and think how wonderful and cool I am.

But too soon, I see the ground approaching. Life's solutions will have to wait until another day. Legs together, I stare at the horizon as instructed and wait for the impact.

It's not a perfect landing. My legs are not straight below, so my feet hit first then my rear end — hard. I sit for a second, stunned and sprawled. Am I going to be the first person at the New River Valley Airport to die skydiving?

I decide I'm quite alive and collect my scattered wits, then turn the canopy out of the wind. A previous jumper didn't react fast enough and

was dragged about 40 yards. My stomach did flip-flops seeing her head and body bounce across the runway. So much for her pride and three layers of clothing.

After landing, my head is still in the clouds, but now only figuratively. I think about what I have just done. Maybe it was stupid.

Mom kept screeching, "How can you learn everything you need to know in six hours? What if you get caught in a tree or a power line? What if you panic? What if your chute doesn't open?"

But I was confident. The six-hour ground and aerial training school taught me what to do if something

happened (as it does to only one in one million jumpers).

Training began with instructor Bob Ramsey, who after about 1,800 jumps in nine years, described the dangers of the sport. "I won't lie to you. You can get hurt and you could be killed skydiving." I gulped, but I brush death every day crossing Main Street to get to Anthony-Seeger Hall.

Weathering the outdoors — literally, with snow flakes flurrying — the 18-member class practices the four commands that are so simple, they sound stupid — cut, sit in the

(Illustration by Drew Haas)

See PARACHUTE page 11 ►

The following highlights current exhibits at each of JMU's art galleries.

Sawhill Gallery primarily draws various exhibits from noted artists. Located in the Duke Fine Arts Building. Hours Monday-Friday, 8:30-noon, 1-4:30 p.m. and 7-9 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday 1-5 p.m.

Through Feb. 2 — "David Goines: Posters from his St. Heironymous Press."



many of my photographs deal with insecurity and isolation but still have a playful quality about them."



Gayle Hatcher: "In my group of images I have presented the concept of hidden personalities or parts of individuals that no one really knows. ... I have ... drawn the viewer into the image by the use of eyes and facial expression."

Artworks Gallery features student works. Located in Zirkle House at 983 S. Main St. Hours Monday-Thursday 12-5 p.m.; Friday 12-4 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday 2-4 p.m.

Through Feb. 4, photography by Gayle Hatcher and Lucy Harding.



Lucy Harding: "Deep down,

The Other Gallery features student works. Located in Zirkle House at 983 S. Main St. Hours Monday-Thursday 12-5 p.m.; Friday 12-4 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday 2-4 p.m.

Through Feb. 4, mixed media by Joyce McVey and Peter Schnibbe. McVey's portion includes handmade paper and handbuilt ceramic pieces that illustrate a wide variety of ideas.

New Image Gallery exhibits photographs from noted photographers. Located in Zirkle House at 983 S. Main St. Hours Monday-Friday 12-4 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday 2-4 p.m.

Through Saturday, black and white photography by Elliott Erwitt.



This photograph by Elliott Erwitt of Jacqueline Kennedy at her husband's funeral was featured on the cover of Life magazine. Besides having work published in numerous books and magazines, Erwitt has had one-man shows at The Museum of Modern Art, The Smithsonian Institution and The Chicago Art Institute.

Parachute

► (Continued from page 10)

door, get out and go.

I'm psyched. After jumping off three- and five-foot platforms about 15 times each and rolling in the mud, I'm ready to jump out of that plane. Balls of the feet touch first, then calves, knees, thighs and buttocks. A roll on the back absorbs the remaining shock — of landing, not jumping out of a plane.

But the real landing will have to wait. It's too windy — winds of 10 to 15 mph with gusts of 20 mph — and too cloudy: the ceiling is at 1,700 feet. For first-time jumpers, winds must be below 10 mph and clouds must be above 2,800 feet.

Disappointed, I vow to return Sunday and I do, undaunted. After passing a rigger check where the jumpmaster checks my equipment, we review landings.

I was afraid I'd land in some weird fashion like on the airport or on the back of a cow or something equally bizarre. I could hear the pilots years from now saying, "Remember that

girl back in late 1983...?"

One jumper did have a landing that I had feared — she landed on the highway median.

"All these cars stopped and people were looking at me," she said, laughing. "The truck drivers just honked." Then it's my turn.

I waddle over to the runway and we cram into the stripped down, tiny Cessna — three jumpers, a jumpmaster and a pilot. The plane wobbles, takes off and soon reaches the jumping height. The jumpmaster fastens my static line to the plane. He checks it and I double-, triple- and quadruple-check it before he returns it to me.

He pushes the door open. I had been warned about the sudden blast of freezing air, but wasn't expecting the loud swoooooosh as the air enters the cabin. The jumpmaster asks for my line. He pries my finger off the rope. For some reason I couldn't open them.

"Cut," the jumpmaster shouts. The pilot throttles back the engine. "Sit in the door." I put both feet on the jump step and one hand on the strut. "Get out." I move in slow motion. My right hand fights the wind,

slowly approaching the other. The wind is so strong, I can't get my body out. A jumpmaster's shove solves that problem.

I hear my mother crying, "I don't want to have to come and pick up the pieces." But strangely, I'm calm. I figure, What the hell? If I die, I die and I won't have to worry about that upcoming philosophy test. If I don't die, man, will I have some stories to tell. The jumpmaster gives the final command. "Go."

Stepping off, I arch my back. The world quickly darkens and then comes back into focus...

I plan to relive this sensation as soon as possible. The Outing Club sponsors about four trips a semester to Dublin so I should have the chance soon. The trip costs about \$55 for first-time jumpers which includes ground school and one jump. Each subsequent jump is about \$16.

"You pay that much for the chance to kill yourself?" Mom exclaimed. She wasn't very happy when I went hang gliding, motorcycling or white water rafting, but I guess skydiving was the last straw. She doesn't understand the thrill and excitement of the sport.

The risk and danger is part of the thrill. Confidence is a major part of the sport. A jumper can't dwell on negative possibilities. One jumper had a partial malfunction of his chute — a line crossed over his main chute, dividing it into two small humps. He released his reserve chute.

I thought I might not wait until the main chute opened and would release the reserve as soon as I jumped out of the plane, but I didn't. "When in doubt, whip it out," a saying learned in practice, still echoes in my head.

I've always thought I was weird, but the booklet given to all first-time jumpers confirms it. "If you want to jump again, then you are not an average one jump student. Most of the people you went through the first jump course with won't be back. They probably enjoyed the experience and will talk about it with great enthusiasm and a bit of daredevil swagger but once will be enough for them. They will have their jump story. They won't be back."

I have my story too, but I will go back — just don't tell my mother.



after hours

Thursday

Music

- AXP Little Sisters' Sponsor Night (d.j.) — JM's, \$1.75 cover charge.
- Ron Gentry (popular acoustic) — Jo's, \$1 cover.
- Jerry Campbell (country) — Gandy Dancer, \$2 cover for ladies, \$3 cover for men.
- d.j. — Belle Meade, \$1 cover for ladies, \$2 for men.
- d.j. — Midway Downtown, Lincoln Night.
- Roadducks and Depot Three — Scotland Yard, cover charge not available.
- Skyline — Scruples, \$2 cover.

Movies

- Beach Party — Grafton-Stovall Theatre, 7:30 and 10 p.m., \$1.50 with ID, \$2 without ID.
- Christine (R) — Roth Theatres, 7 and 9 p.m. shows \$4.
- Terms of Endearment (PG) — Roth Theatres, 7 and 9:25 p.m. shows \$4.
- Mickey's Christmas and The Rescuers (G) — Roth Theatres, 7 and 9 p.m. shows \$4.
- Sudden Impact (R) — Virginia Theater, 7 and 9 p.m. shows \$4.

And Beyond

- Best of Maxims — Center Attic, 8 p.m., \$1 cover with Winterfest cup, \$2 without.

Friday

Music

- Ear Candy (d.j.) — JM's, \$1.75 cover.
- Slayer and Vining (popular acoustic) — Jo's, \$1 cover.
- d.j. — Belle Meade, \$2 cover.
- Skyline — Scruples, \$2 cover charge.
- Serious — Scotland Yard, cover charge not available.
- Coachmen (country) — Gandy Dancer, \$4 cover.
- Sparkplugs (rock) — Midway Downtown, \$3 cover.
- Mighty Invaders (dance) — Center Attic, 9 p.m., \$2 with Winterfest cup, \$3 without.
- Diamonds (rock) — The Other Place, \$4 cover.

Movies

- Breathless (R) — Grafton-Stovall Theatre, 7:30 and 10 p.m., \$1.50 with ID, \$2 without ID.

- Uncommon Valor (R) — Roth Theatres, 7 and 9 p.m. shows \$4.
- Terms of Endearment (PG) — Roth Theatres, 7 and 9:25 p.m. shows \$4.
- Mickey's Christmas and The Rescuers (G) — Roth Theatres, 7 and 9 p.m. shows \$4.
- Gorky Park (R) — Virginia Theater, 7 and 9 p.m. shows \$4.

And Beyond

- Boardwalk (Winterfest) — Warren Campus Center Lobby, 12-4 p.m.

Saturday

Music

- Dave McCormick (d.j.) — JM's, Dance Contest, \$1.75 cover.
- Slayer and Vining (popular acoustic) — Jo's, \$1 cover.
- Synaptic Gap and The Undecideds (new wave) — Midway Downtown, \$1.50 cover.
- Skyline — Scruples, \$2 cover.
- d.j. — Belle Meade, \$2 cover.
- Serious — Scotland Yard, cover charge not available.
- Diamonds (rock) — The Other Place, \$4 cover.
- Star City Band (country) — Gandy Dancer, \$3 cover.

Movies

- Breathless (R) — Grafton-Stovall Theatre, 7:30 and 10 p.m., \$1.50 with ID, \$2 without ID.
- Uncommon Valor (R) — Roth Theatres, 2, 7 and 9 p.m. shows \$4.
- Terms of Endearment (PG) — Roth Theatres, 2, 7 and 9:25 p.m. shows \$4.
- Mickey's Christmas and The Rescuers (G) — Roth Theatres, 2, 7 and 9 p.m. shows \$4.
- Gorky Park (R) — Virginia Theater, 2, 7 and 9 p.m. shows \$4.

And Beyond

- Boardwalk (Winterfest) — Warren Campus Center Lobby, 12-4 p.m.
- Pre-Game Happy Hour — Center Attic, 5-7 p.m., cover charge not available.
- Post-Game Party — Center Attic, 10-12 p.m., free admission with Winterfest cup, \$1 without.

UPB's Winterfest celebration

A summer break for the winter

By Allison Colby
staff writer

Come on, "Surf's up!" Winterfest is here again.

The events have already begun. The showing of the movie "Blue Hawaii" began UPB's token celebration of summer in the middle of winter.

Through the rest of the week, movies that deal with an aspect of summer will be shown on campus. "Beach Party" will be shown on Thursday and "Breathless" will play Friday and Saturday at Grafton-Stovall. Sunday night a special feature, "College," will be showing.

A boardwalk will be set up during the weekend in the Warren Campus Center Lobby from 12-4 p.m. An antique photographer and a Rose tattoo artist will be among the attractions along the walk.

For those interested in winning a trip to Ft. Lauderdale, a coupon box will be on the boardwalk. Free popcorn will also be offered.

According to UPB Chairman Doug Huston, "There will be games and lots of real nice prizes."

Two tickets are required for each game. Tickets can be purchased on

the boardwalk. With the purchase of six tickets for a dollar, a Winterfest cup will be given.

Thursday night a "Best of Maxims" will be held in the Center Attic at 8 p.m. Admission will be \$1 with a cup and \$2 without. Unlike previous Maxims' performances, this will highlight the best of previous acts. Cash prizes of \$50, \$30 and \$20 will be awarded to the winners of the contest.

On Friday night the "Mighty Invaders," a Jamaican reggae band will play at 9 p.m. in the Center Attic. Admission is \$2 with a Winterfest cup and \$3 without. Between sets a limbo contest will be held.

Continuing with the celebration, Saturday night when the Dukes take on East Carolina University "there will be a happy hour before the game and hopefully a victory celebration after the game," said Huston. It will be during the latter that the winner of the Ft. Lauderdale trip will be announced.

Why will all of this occur? Huston said, "To break up the monotony of winter." Of course.

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Sports

Gone pro

Clark signs three-year contract with USFL

By Steve Lockard
sports editor

Over the course of 24 hours, Gary Clark went from being an average college student to being a wealthy professional athlete.

Clark spent Monday evening leading his intramural basketball team to victory, but come Tuesday, the 5-foot-11, 172 pound senior withdrew from school, flew to Florida and signed a three-year contract with the Jacksonville Bulls of the United States Football League.

Tuesday's signing ended two weeks of negotiations between Clark's agent, Walt Frazier, and the Bulls.

Neither Clark or Nick Kish, Jacksonville's director of player personnel, would comment on Clark's salary, but it was reported Wednesday in the Jacksonville Journal that the contract is worth between \$80,000 and \$100,000 per year.

"I'll be comfortable," Clark said Monday night, adding that the first year of the contract is guaranteed.

The Bulls had rejected Frazier's first offer, which was in the \$300,000 range, according to Clark. Kish said the offer "sounded like the U.S. defense budget."

Clark, the sixth player selected in the USFL draft, is not sure how his newly acquired wealth will affect him.

"I guess it will affect my life style

some. I hope it doesn't affect me that much," Clark said, admitting that he will probably splurge on a car.

Along with the excitement of becoming a professional player comes the apprehension of a new environment. Clark said he had never been to Jacksonville and that he didn't know anyone there.

"I'm sure I'll be a little lonely," Clark said. "I'm gonna be by myself. I'll be homesick. Just like when you first go away to school."

"It'll take a little time. I'll have to adjust to the situation. I hope the players don't look at me as a smart ass for holding out."

With the addition of Clark, the Bulls have signed nine of their top 10 draft choices. The Bulls are one of six expansion teams in the 18-team league.

Jacksonville is coached by Lindy Infante, former offensive coordinator of the Cincinnati Bengals. According to Clark, the team will run a passing offense.

"The offense is geared around a passing attack, rather than a running attack," said Clark, JMU's career reception leader. "It'll give me a chance to show what I can do."

Clark is 14 hours shy of graduation and he said he will return to JMU in the fall to complete his studies.

"I didn't come here for four years not to finish," he said.



Gary Clark will return kicks as well as play receiver for Jacksonville. (file photo)

Injuries close door on Meadows' career

By Paul Bergeron
staff writer

The 1983-84 season was supposed to be the best of Deana Meadows' basketball career at JMU. Hard work and conditioning during the off season resulted in recovery of the stress fracture in her foot that forced her to sit out virtually all of last season.

A starter for two and a half of her first three years, Meadows' ability would have made a strong 83-84 team at JMU that much stronger.

Another injury has changed that. After recovering from her stress fracture, Meadows broke her finger earlier this season and is not expected to return.

"There is no doubt that if Deana had been healthy she would've been our top scorer and rebounder this season," JMU coach Sheila Moorman said.

In three letter-earning seasons Meadows compiled impressive statistics. Most games started (60), second in career field goal

percentage (48.2 percent), third in career scoring (756 points) and fifth in career rebounding (540). Unfortunately these numbers will not be added to this year.

Meadows' list of injuries is almost as long as her list of playing accomplishments. In November of 1982, a stress fracture to her leg; August 1983, reinjury to the same fracture; November 1983, more aggravation to the leg; December 1983, a broken finger.

The original fracture last season forced Meadows to red-shirt her senior year. Not wanting to close her career on an injured note, she returned to JMU as a graduate student and to play her final year.

"I was beginning to feel good after the second injury just as pre-season was starting, but then I reinjured the leg in practice," Meadows said.

After missing the first four games of the regular season, Meadows saw brief action in four games during December scoring a total of six points.

"Doctors told me that the foot wouldn't

heal without having surgery done, but I could still play as long as I could stand the pain," she said.

Meadows opted to finish the season, but a broken finger in a game against Purdue on December 27 shut the door on her JMU basketball career and moved up the date of her surgery.

"Sometime in the next month I expect to have the surgery," Meadows said. "Because of the finger injury, I don't expect to see any more action this year. There is no reason to delay the surgery anymore."

Meadows role on the team now is helping her successors. "I go to practice as much as I can and help out the centers," she said. "I go to the home games and encourage them from the bench. They are all doing well, especially the freshman considering their lack of experience."

The Dukes ability or inability to overcome the loss of Meadows will be shown in their final record, but Meadows will always think what might have been.

Dukes fall in OT to Richmond 57-55

By John Castaldi
assistant sports editor

RICHMOND — Trailing by five points with 2:39 left in overtime, the University of Richmond scored 10 straight points and went on to a 57-55 win over JMU here Wednesday night.

The loss dropped JMU to 8-8 and 1-2 in the ECAC South. Richmond is 12-6 and 3-0 in the conference.

Two free throws by Eric Brent — who scored 14 of his 16 points after intermission — put JMU ahead 51-46 with 2:39 remaining.

A basket by Richmond's Bill Flye started Richmond's 10-point spurt, and a dunk by Richmond's John Newman with 1:06 second left in the game gave the Spiders a 52-51 lead they never relinquished.

JMU had a chance to ice the game in regulation. The Dukes took a four-point lead on two free-throws from Greg Mosten.

Richmond's John Newman scored to cut the lead to two. At the other end, Eric Esch missed the front end of a one and one with 1:09 left, and Richmond's Kelvin Johnson hit a jumper with 43 seconds left, sending the game into overtime.

Johnson, who hit a half-court shot at the buzzer to tie the game 20-20 at halftime, led the Spiders with 22 points.

The Dukes were led by Brent's 16. Greg Mosten and Eric Esch each added 11 points and George Kingland scored 10.

The loss was the second straight for the Dukes. They return to action Saturday night when they host East Carolina at 7:30 in the Convocation Center.



Diane Milnes' victory Tuesday helped the JMU fencing team open its season with a win over Mary Baldwin. (Photo by Yo Nagaya)

sportsfile

JMU drops Yankee bid

JMU has apparently decided against affiliating its football program with the Yankee Conference.

According to a Wednesday Harrisonburg Daily News-Record article, JMU withdrew its application to the New England-based football league.

The story said that JMU athletic director Dean Ehlers cited financial reasons for the school's decision.

Neither Ehlers nor JMU football coach Challace McMillin could be reached for comment Wednesday.

Women's Basketball

In a seven-minute span late in the contest East Tennessee State outscored JMU 14-2 to overcome a 50-47 deficit and go on to take a 64-56 decision over the visiting Dukes Tuesday night.

Freshman Betsy Witman and sophomore Georgia Deren each scored 12 points for the Dukes (9-8). Tammy Larkey came off the bench to pace East Tennessee (9-5) with 17 points.

JMU plays its second game of a four-game road trip Jan. 31 at the University of Richmond.

JMU 56

Player	min	fg	ft	r	a	pt	tp
Witman	34	6-10	0-0	4	2	1	12
James	31	3-11	0-0	6	2	3	6
Franken	17	1-7	0-0	4	1	5	2
Gilligan	18	2-4	0-0	0	0	3	4
Manelski	29	1-6	2-2	0	0	0	4
Jackson	33	3-12	2-2	3	6	5	8
Deren	25	6-7	0-0	5	1	1	12
Flynn	7	0-2	0-0	1	0	3	0
Mahony	6	3-3	2-2	2	0	1	8
TOTALS	200	25-62	6-6	29	12	22	56

East Tennessee State 64

Player	min	fg	ft	r	a	pt	tp
Blair	33	7-14	2-2	11	0	0	16
Mills	40	5-13	0-1	15	2	4	10
Jaffke	17	2-5	0-0	1	1	0	4
Skala	40	2-5	3-4	0	10	1	7
Caldwell	34	4-7	0-3	1	1	3	8
Larkey	30	6-10	5-7	8	1	1	17
Gregg	4	0-1	0-1	1	0	0	0
Bass	2	1-1	0-0	0	0	0	2
TOTALS	200	27-56	10-18	42	16	9	64

Season's Totals

Player	g	fg	ft	r	a	st	avg
Biose	7	5-11	0-3	5	5	0	1.4
Cooper	6	1-3	0-1	4	3	2	0.3
Deren	14	17-38	9-15	46	8	2	3.1
Flynn	14	15-46	13-16	34	2	9	3.1
Franken	16	58-130	37-62	116	7	14	9.6
Gilligan	16	14-46	24-32	13	24	11	3.3
Hopkins	6	2-4	3-4	3	1	1	1.2
Jackson	16	60-124	15-25	35	29	24	8.4
James	15	72-171	14-21	153	18	15	10.5
Mahony	10	16-33	5-8	28	0	1	3.7
Manelski	16	88-189	53-81	62	28	19	14.5
Meadows	4	3-5	0-1	2	0	2	1.5
Witman	16	52-110	38-48	95	10	8	8.8

Team 16 403-912 208-295 636 135 108 63.4
Does not include Tuesday night's game.

Wrestling

Sophomore Tony Gentile is ranked ninth nationally in the 150-pound weight class by Amateur Wrestling News.

Gentile is 23-2 with four pins so far this season. He will lead JMU this weekend as the Dukes travel to George Mason University for the Virginia Intercollegiate League Championships.

Gentile won the 142-pound title at the VIL championships last year.

Women's Fencing

JMU opened its season with a 15-1 victory over Mary Baldwin College here Tuesday.

Diane Milnes and Jackie Roller led the Dukes with bout records of 4-0.

Debbie Lung and Barb Murphy finished 3-0, and Lawana Shiffler was 1-0. Jocelyn Hill was 0-1.

JMU's junior varsity won 12-4.

The Dukes' next match is Friday against William and Mary in Lynchburg.

Women's Swimming

In a double dual meet, JMU split with a 76-37 win over the University of Richmond and a 61-51 loss to East Carolina University Tuesday.

The Dukes (4-5) were paced by Leslie Pike who won the 200m individual medley and the 100m butterfly against both teams.

Pike set a JMU record in the medley event with a time of 2:15.024.

Stephanie Smith won the one- and

three-meter diving events against Richmond and the one-meter diving competition against East Carolina.

Sue Gervinski won the 100m breaststroke against both teams.

JMU competes again Saturday when it plays host to the U.S. Senior Meet in Savage Natatorium.

Men's Basketball

Season's Totals

Player	g	fg	ft	r	a	st	avg
Banks	9	11-19	3-8	15	1	1	2.8
Bradley	15	32-52	26-41	47	11	4	6.0
Brent	15	58-149	24-38	54	19	20	9.3
Esch	15	42-80	12-25	80	10	4	8.4
Hughes	8	9-21	2-4	11	3	2	2.5
Inge	5	1-2	3-4	1	3	1	1.0
Jackson	12	14-31	7-15	32	4	4	2.9
Kingland	10	21-52	13-17	25	3	1	5.5
Masloff	13	26-59	13-20	34	9	3	5.0
Mosten	15	41-76	43-63	73	7	7	8.3
Newman	6	16-30	2-6	21	2	7	6.3
Steele	15	73-164	41-63	38	59	26	12.5
Sutton	2	0-1	1-2	0	1	1	0.5
Williams	2	0-4	1-3	1	1	0	0.5

Team 15 346-739 191-307 466 133 81 58.9

Schedule

FRIDAY

► Men's Swimming — George Washington University, Savage Natatorium, 3:00 p.m.
► Fencing — vs. William and Mary, at Lynchburg, Va., 5:30 p.m.
► Wrestling — Virginia Intercollegiate League Championships, at George Mason University, 7:30 thru Saturday.

SATURDAY

► Women's Track — at the West Virginia University Invitational.
► Women's Swimming — U.S. Senior Meet, Savage Natatorium, 8:00 a.m. thru Sunday.
► Men's Basketball — East Carolina University, Convocation Center, 7:30 p.m.

announcements

Announcements in The Breeze are provided free as a service to readers. Events requiring an exchange of money will not be published in the announcements section. Entertainment notices may be sent to the Inside Arts and People section.

Deadlines for announcements are noon Friday for Monday's issue and noon Tuesday for Thursday's issue. Mailing address is The Breeze, communication arts department, James Madison University, Harrisonburg VA 22807. The Breeze office is in the basement of Anthony-Seeger Hall at Grace and South Main streets.

Form for announcements is WHO is doing WHAT, WHEN and WHERE. Items will be edited for brevity. Name and telephone number should be included.

Hospice films — "Death of a Gandy Dancer" and "Grieving: Suddenly Alone," can be rented by JMU staff and students. Call 433-8311, ext. 4867 to reserve a film.

JMU Today — a program produced for students by students, will premiere Jan. 27 at 2:30 p.m. on cable channel 8.

Finance club — will meet Jan. 30 at 8:30 p.m. in room A, WCC. Mr. Dan O'Donnell of Shomo and Lineveaver is the guest speaker.

National Association of Accountants — will hold their monthly dinner meeting in Chandler Hall Feb. 2. Social hour begins at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. Cost is \$3 with a dining hall contract and \$7 without. If you would like to attend, send your check made payable to NAA to Paula Houtary, P. O. Box 5392 by Jan. 31.

Amnesty International — Students and faculty interested in forming a JMU chapter of this organization should attend the organizational meeting Jan. 31 at 7:30 p.m. in Jackson 101.

CP&P — Workshops: "Resume Writing," Jan. 26 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and Jan. 31 from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.; "Getting Your Act Together," Feb. 1 from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.; "Interview Preparation," Feb. 2 from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Sign up in advance in the CP&P office. Interview sign-ups for the week of Jan. 30: Metropolitan Life Insurance — all majors; K-Mart — agriculture business, finance, and management; Colonial Williamsburg — hotel/restaurant management; Golden Coral — hotel/restaurant management; Phillip Morris — data processing, management information systems, computer science, and math with 15 hours of computer science; Pizza Hut — hotel restaurant management, management, management information systems, and general studies; EDS — data processing, management information systems, computer science, and math; IBM — marketing, data processing, management information systems, and computer science; Best Products — accounting, data processing, finance, management, management information systems, marketing, MBA; Wallace Computer Services — all majors.

Meetings

JMU Canterbury — The Episcopal student group meets every Thursday after the 7 p.m. communion service at Emmanuel Episcopal Church.

Caving Club — will meet Jan. 26 at 7:30 p.m. in Jackson 102.

Campus Crusade for Christ — meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in Wilson 309 for Teaching and Training.

Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship — meets every Sunday at 7 p.m. in the WCC ballroom. Inter-Varsity prayer meetings are held Monday through Friday from 4:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Jackson 106.

Christian Science Organization — meets every other Sunday at 7 p.m. in the religious center.

Phi Beta Lambda — smoker will be Jan. 26 at 5 p.m. in room B, WCC.

Ski club — will meet Jan. 30 at 7 p.m. in room B, WCC. New members are welcome.

Commuter Service Committee — holds meetings each Monday at 5 p.m. in room B, WCC. All commuters are welcome.

General

Student teaching — applications for any block of the 1984-85 academic year must be received by the Office of Field and Laboratory Experiences no later than Jan. 27. Applications may be picked up in the Education Building, Suite 306.

Mediation Council — offers free mediation service to all members of the campus community who are in dispute. Come by the Mediation Center in the Computer Student Center office, WCC, between 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. Call 433-6259 for more information.

University Writing Lab — offers individualized help to students working on papers or reports, studying for essay exams, writing letters or applications, reviewing grammar, or preparing to take the GRE, LSAT, or GMAT. For further information, call Mrs. Hoskins at 6401 or stop by Keesell 108, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Tutors — are available from Sigma Phi Lambda in history, political science and public administration. Call Donna at X4162.

Equitation course — If anyone is interested in a class in horsemanship, contact Dr. Crawford at 6145. An attempt is being made to assess the number of people on campus who would be interested in a riding program being reinstated.

Accounting tutoring — The Accounting Honor Society will hold open tutoring sessions in accounting every Wednesday from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the audiovisual department of the library.

CARS — a free service provided for faculty and students by Catholic Campus Ministries gives you a free ride home on Friday and Saturday nights from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. If you had too much to drink, or for women who need a safe ride home. Complete confidentiality, no hassles. Call 433-CARS.

Financial Aid applications — for the 1984-85 school year are now available in the Financial Aid office. Deadline is March 1, 1984.

Counseling Center — offers personal, study skills and vocational counseling for individuals and groups. Call 6552 for more information or come to Alumnae Hall for walk-in service between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday. No appointment needed.

Events

Visiting Scholars — presents Alasdair MacIntyre, professor of philosophy at Vanderbilt University, speaking on "In Defense of the Objectivity of Values," Jan. 30 at 10 a.m. in Latimer-Sheafer Auditorium.

Special Olympics Swimming Program — Thursdays from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Meet in Maury parking lot at 5:25 p.m. For more information, contact Irene at X5756.


Art exhibitions — Sawhill Gallery: "David Golnes: Posters from his St. Helronymous Press," Jan. 12 through Feb. 2. Artworks Gallery: "Artwork by Lucy Harding and Gayle Hatcher," Jan. 22 through Feb. 4.

Wesley Foundation — Jan. 26: 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., New Life Singers will meet in Duke M209. Jan. 31: 5 p.m., Disciples Today, study of women, men, and the Bible; 7 p.m., Bible study with Rev. Jim Snow. Feb. 1: 8 a.m., Communion, room A, WCC; 8:30 p.m., Fellowship, program on footwashing. Feb. 2: 6 p.m., New Life Singers, Duke 209.

The Wesley Foundation is accepting applications for the 1984-85 academic year. See Jeanne Finley at the Foundation (434-3490) for application forms. Deadline is Feb. 16.

Baptist Student Union — Jan. 26: weekly meeting starting at 5 p.m.

Blood drive — sponsored by Delta Sigma Pi Jan. 30 through Feb. 3, Rockingham Memorial Hospital. Sign up on Delta Sigma Pi bulletin board in Harrison Hall.



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Viewpoint

Voices

Board should listen

It's time students had a voice in the governing body sitting at the top of JMU's administrative hierarchy — the Board of Visitors.

The SGA will be presenting a report to the board in February favoring the appointment of a student member. The board has final approval, and we hope it accepts the recommendation.

Much of JMU's strength rests on the fact that it is student-oriented. Students already serve on administrative commissions and the University Council. Lack of student representation on the board is a discrepancy.

Board members are removed from campus life and do not get the same perspective as students. Direct student input is needed to make the board better aware of problems on campus.

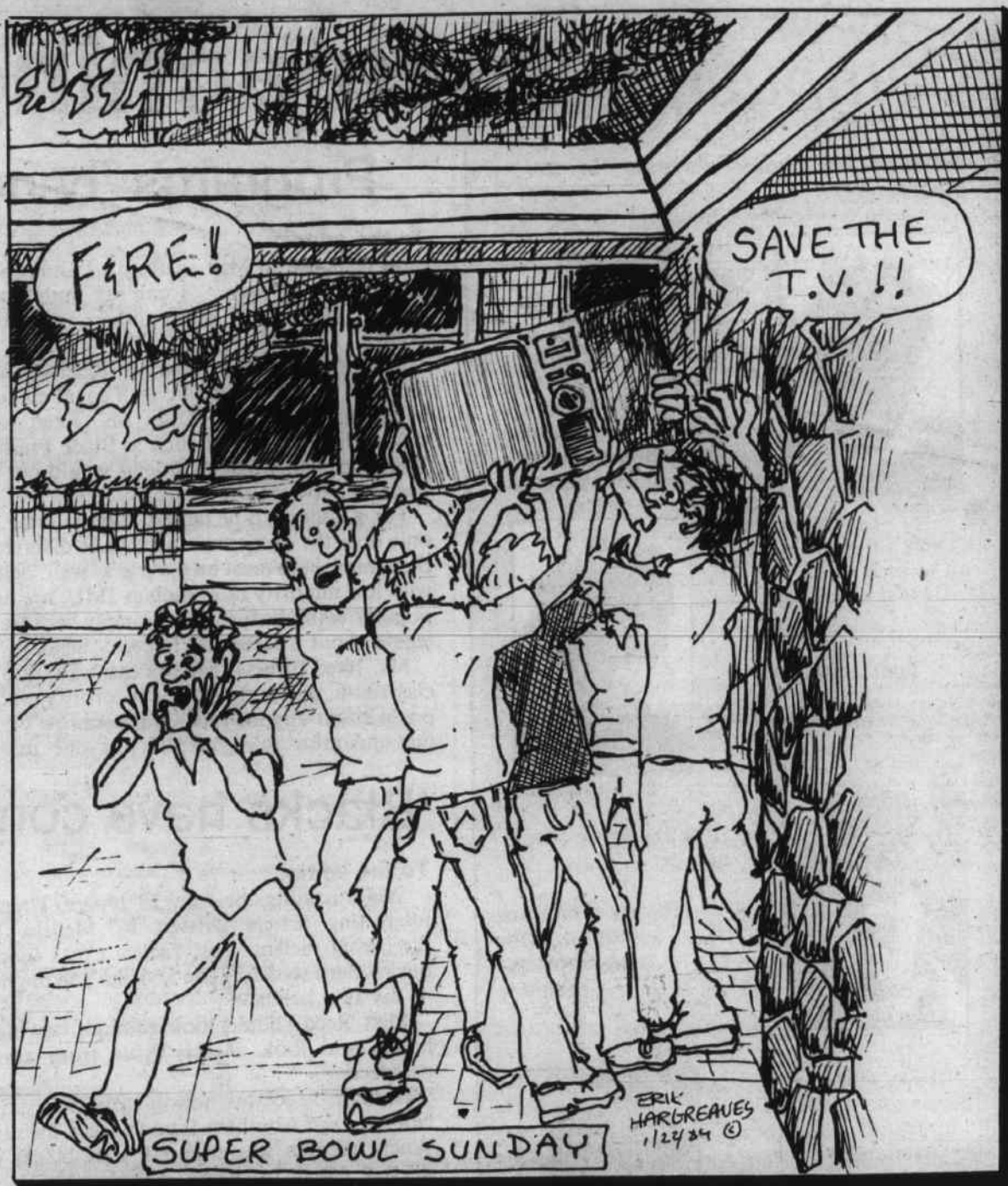
Under state law, students are allowed to serve as non-voting members on the boards of state colleges and universities. But JMU is the only major state university without a student on its board.

"It has greatly enhanced communication between the board and the student body," said Dan Steen, president of the student government at Mary Washington College and student representative on its board of visitors. "The board has been more visible and open. Students are much more understanding of the board's decisions because we've had input."

Along with the SGA, President Ronald Carrier has expressed support for having a student on the board. The board should favor it, too, because it needs to hear our voices before it makes decisions affecting us.

The above editorial was written by Cay Fultz, *The Breeze's* Assistant Editorial Editor. It is the opinion of Fultz, Editor Ian Katz, Managing Editor Daniel Finnegan and Editorial Editor Ross Richardson.

Remember to buy classified ads from *The Breeze*. All profits from the next three issues will be donated to the "Catch a Ride Safely" program.



Peace is essential to human rights

Recently, I have felt the need to speak on the issue of human rights and the reasons behind its inability to take the forefront of worldwide concerns and action.

To begin with, I feel the United States has long been an advocate of human rights. Our past is not without blemishes, but as a whole, America has long stood as an example of, and called for, greater attention to individual rights.

Why is the United States not presently pushing the issue of human rights before all other concerns? Let's look to history.

Less than a decade ago, the United States was a platform for a worldwide champion of human rights — a man dedicated to promotion of human rights before all else. This man is, of course, former president Jimmy Carter.

He believed, as many human rights advocates do, that the attainment of a worldwide consensus on human rights could occur in the short run with a minimum of violent and non-violent confrontations. Mr. Carter was wrong. In his feeble attempt to force this issue, without discretion or regard for the realities of modern international relations, he failed to see the true causes of the suppression of human rights.

The greatest of these causes was and still is the domestic and international instability created by terrorism.

Terrorism is the forceful, violent promotion of the will of a minority on the rights of the majority. It is an insidious attack upon a state or states

In Focus

Mike Page



without regard for human rights of innocent people.

Terrorism objectives are to erode public and international confidence in a government's ability to solve its problems through judicial or law-making processes. In doing, so they hope to incite violent, internal and public dissent against the government.

Their methods are simple: attack the government in such a manner (bombings, assassinations,

hijackings, etc.) as to leave the government no alternative but to retaliate through the suppression of such individual rights as communication, movement, and economic activity.

As the government clamps down harder, internal dissent grows and the government's base of support is eroded. This leaves the government in a position where it's unable to operate with finesse or tact and must resort to broad measures of force and suppression. The instability caused by terrorism truly leads to the violent suppression of human rights.

Fortunately, in May of 1981, the NATO bloc countries "condemned all acts of terrorism regardless of their origin, causes, or purposes as a flagrant violation of human dignity and rights."

Our present administration has realized a Utopian concept of human rights is self-defeating. It has adopted a more pragmatic stance of assisting governments to reduce their human rights violations as terrorist and other subversive activity is reduced.

It is only in an atmosphere of peace and stability that the issue of human rights can be genuinely addressed and promoted through political redress.

Mike Page is a junior majoring in political science and public administration.

Readers' Forum

Campusquote

"Who do you favor in campaign for the presidency?"



"I think Reagan because he's done such a good job with economic recovery, and he's a nice guy."

Tim Yeltman
junior
management information systems

"There's not a whole lot to pick from, but I'd say Governor Cranston."

Tom Johnston
senior
marketing



"I'd like to see Mondale get it."

Randy Menslee
sophomore
psychology
russian



"I like Glenn, just because he'd make a fresh start and give our government a better outlook on foreign policy."

Regina Wallace
sophomore
political science



"It's a toss up between Mondale and Reagan. I think Mondale's the best democratic nominee."

Michael Stephen
sophomore
finance



"I say Mondale because he's been working hard for four years and I think we need a change."

Simeon Hahn
sophomore
biology



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Reaching equality

Programs 'beneficial to everyone'

To the editor:

In response to Melissa Reed's "Guest Spot" in the Jan. 23 *Breeze*, I can say quite frankly that I, along with many others, missed the point.

I do not understand how Ms. Reed sees an attempt to help all people have an equal chance as being discriminatory. Does Ms. Reed realize that without programs such as Black Freshman Weekend, many black students would not have been able to visit the school?

For a college to be labeled "liberal arts," not only does the curriculum need to be diverse, but the atmosphere must be diverse as well. Schools with low minority rate, such as JMU, are not as popular with black students simply because college without a social life is pretty bleak.

Ms. Reed forgets that she can walk into any classroom, party, fraternity or sorority on campus without anyone raising an eyebrow or feeling uncomfortable. Yet, if just one day the

tables could be turned and she were among a handful of whites on a predominantly black campus, I wonder how she would feel. If indeed a white student alliance existed, she would probably run to them with open arms in order to be with people more like herself.

The Black Student Alliance and all programs sponsored by black students are not intended to shut out persons of any color, but are specifically to provide support for black students, something Ms. Reed obviously cannot see.

I believe JMU is making a serious attempt to achieve an environment beneficial to everyone, and the Black Student Alliance helps JMU in achieving that goal.

Cynthia Williams
freshman
communication arts

'Blacks have come a long way ...'

To the editor:

While reading the Jan. 23 *Breeze*, I read an interesting article written by Melissa Reed discussing racism. Yes, racism exists today in our modern society. I am a victim you might say — my skin is black.

Miss Reed should look through her history books and look at this issue from another perspective.

Not long ago this nation permitted slavery. Not long ago Abraham Lincoln freed the slaves. When freedom was attained, were blacks considered equal by white Americans? Hardly. Harsh, racist attitudes existed. Blacks were considered the lowest class of society.

Think again, Miss Reed. Did we jump from that class of society to where we are today? No, blacks had to fight and struggle for their individuality. Everyone must work for what he wants, no matter what his skin color may be. Blacks have had to work for the equality we so justly deserve. We have achieved various social positions and political offices, but the struggle is not over.

In so many words, Miss Reed asks, "When

will blacks be satisfied?" We were once denied the right to enter white schools. We were once denied the right to eat in public restaurants. We were once denied the right to sit at the front of the bus. We will not be satisfied until we can see and feel an attitude in all that we are equal.

Therefore, Miss Reed, it is necessary to take direct actions such as pushing black voter registration and running for government offices. Dr. King felt it necessary to "create such a crisis and establish such creative tension that the community that has constantly refused to negotiate is forced to confront the issue." This statement was written in Dr. King's letter of non-violence from the Birmingham City Jail in 1963.

Blacks have come a long way on a rugged road. However, the road isn't as rocky as before. If Dr. King could see what was going on today, I think he'd take comfort in knowing the road to equality and understanding among all races is not very far away. We have his dream.

Lorrie A. Penn
freshman
management information systems

Senior applauds Kirkpatrick

To the editor:

The recent attention being devoted by the press to Lebanon and Central America has removed from the newspapers the potential for an interesting and valuable story: the excellent job being done at the United Nations by our Ambassador, Jeane Kirkpatrick.

Recently, the United Nations has been criticized for a number of actions. These activities include the financial

and political support of terrorist groups and a large scale attempt to restrict free enterprise through a "new economic order."

Until lately, countries generally supportive of the United States often voted against us on many key issues. These countries knew they would receive no penalties for betraying us again and again.

Ambassador Kirkpatrick has changed all that. The United Nations still has many problems and these problems won't easily be solved. But

countries now know that if they want to rely on the friendship of the United States, they must also show that they are friends of the United States.

Ambassador Kirkpatrick has a difficult task, but there is no better person for the job. Everyone should applaud her great efforts.

Terry R. Brumack
Chairman, Young
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Inflation at 3.8 percent for Americans in 1983

WASHINGTON — Consumer costs rose 3.8 percent in 1983, the least since the price-controlled years of 1971-72, the government said Tuesday.

Prices rose 3.9 percent in 1982, after shooting up 12.4 percent in 1980 and 8.9 percent in 1981.

The small gain in consumer costs was attributed to falling energy prices and scant increases in food, housing and transportation costs.

Medical costs, running at a double-digit inflation rate in the four previous years, rose 6.4 percent, the least in 10 years.

Analysts attributed the good price news largely to abundant crops and the oil glut.

The analysts also said the cost of labor rose only slightly and the dollar's value remained strong, which made foreign goods less costly compared to U.S. products.

Analysts expect a bigger increase in food prices in 1984 because of the effects of the unusually harsh weather last summer and in December. They also expect energy prices to rise a bit more in coming months as the cold drains fuel supplies.

— Associated Press

Fifty-three indicted on drug charges

ATLANTA — Fifty-three people have been indicted in the "largest nationwide narcotics investigation ever."

Thirty were accused of smuggling five tons of cocaine worth \$3.8 billion into the United States, authorities announced Monday.

Reagan endorses U.S. space station

WASHINGTON — President Reagan endorsed in his

State of the Union speech Wednesday a manned orbiting station as the cornerstone of the U.S.'s future in space.

The station, to be operational early next decade, would signal a permanent U.S. presence in space and could expand to such objectives as a manned lunar base and expeditions to Mars.

Meese nominated for attorney general

WASHINGTON — President Reagan Monday nominated Councillor Edwin

Meese III to succeed William French Smith as attorney general.

Meese, 52, said he hadn't sought the post and "was really very happy with the job I had" as a policy-maker and Reagan's closest link with the political right.

Meese is one of the "Big Three" White House aides along with James Baker and William Clark.

Smith resigned as Attorney General last week to take over as Ronald Reagan's campaign manager.

state

Avian flu strikes again

HARRISONBURG — Two more outbreaks of avian flu were reported Tuesday in chicken flocks in the Harrisonburg area.

The disease already has forced the destruction of 63,000 turkeys, 54,000 turkey eggs and 24,000 chickens in Rockingham County.

The losses have been estimated at between \$1 million and \$2 million.

Avian flu is a respiratory disease which affects birds but is not harmful to humans.

Uva professor to be named ambassador to Peru

CHARLOTTESVILLE — University of Virginia professor David Jordan — an expert in Latin American affairs — will be nominated by President Reagan to be ambassador to Peru, the university's student newspaper reported Monday.

Jordan, 48, is a 1960 graduate of the Uva law school. He received his undergraduate degree from Harvard and a doctoral degree from the University of Pennsylvania.

Robber gets rough sentence

NORFOLK — A man who confessed to robbing eight businesses in what a judge described as a "trail of terror" was sentenced Tuesday to two life sentences plus 300 years in prison.

Herbert H. Robertson, 21, pleaded guilty Dec. 15 to the robberies of eight businesses between July 29 and Sept. 26.

Depending on several factors, including his behavior in prison, Robertson could be eligible for parole in about 20 years, officials said.

by the way

Stamp machine or slot machine?

ALTON, Ill. — Rosaline Finn put a quarter in a machine and won the big payoff — 2,525 stamps.

All Ms. Finn wanted at the East Alton Post Office was a few stamps to mail a letter, but as she said, "The stamps wouldn't quit coming out."

Ms. Finn ran across the street to summon police, leaving another patron to stand guard. When she returned, he was trying to roll up the stamp coils that covered the floor until the vending machine finally ran dry.

Police gave postal officials the wayward stream of 5-centers, valued at \$126.25.

And in all the excitement, Ms. Finn forgot to get her stamp.

Turtle loses one of two new flippers.

ISLAMORADA, Fla. — A 350-pound loggerhead turtle has lost one of the artificial flippers that was surgically attached a week ago, and surgeons haven't decided whether to reattach the rubber appendage.

The flipper came loose because of osteoporosis, a "brittleness of the bone that develops from lack of use," Dr. Patrick Barry said.

world

Andropov hints talks can be held

MOSCOW — Soviet leader Yuri Andropov, responding to President Reagan's call for a U.S.-Soviet dialogue, says such talks can be held if they are aimed at achieving "concrete accords," the Soviet news agency Tass said Tuesday.

Reagan called for the reopening of arms talks between the two nations in a speech Jan. 16.

It was the first public word from the ailing Andropov since Dec. 26, when the text of his written address to the Communist Party Central Committee was published.

Riots cause cancellation of price hikes

RABAT, Morocco — At least 60 people were killed in riots protesting planned food price increases in Morocco, diplomatic sources said Monday.

The rioting caused King Hassan II to cancel the government price hikes.

In the eastern Moroccan town of Nador — which was hit hard by the violence — a general strike by residents shut down all shops and schools Monday.

Pope resolves Peru-Argentina dispute

VATICAN CITY — In a major venture into international diplomacy, Pope John Paul II Monday persuaded Chile and Argentina to peacefully resolve their territorial dispute over the strategic Beagle Channel.

The channel is strategically important because it connects the Pacific and Atlantic oceans at the tip of South America and it also may prove rich in oil reserves.

Vatican officials told the sides to seize the opportunity to reach agreement.

The two nations signed a declaration of peace and friendship, considered a major step toward resolving the Beagle Channel dispute.

The dispute over the area almost brought the two countries to war in 1978.

Iran designated a terrorist nation by United States

WASHINGTON — The Reagan administration officially designated Iran as a terrorist nation Monday in the wake of evidence that the Iranians are encouraging terrorism beyond their borders.

Iran joins four other countries — Syria, Cuba, Libya and South Yemen — on the U.S. government's list of terrorist nations.

The designation of a country as a terrorist nation imposes rigid restrictions against exports of military goods or products that could be used for military purposes, such as civilian aircraft.



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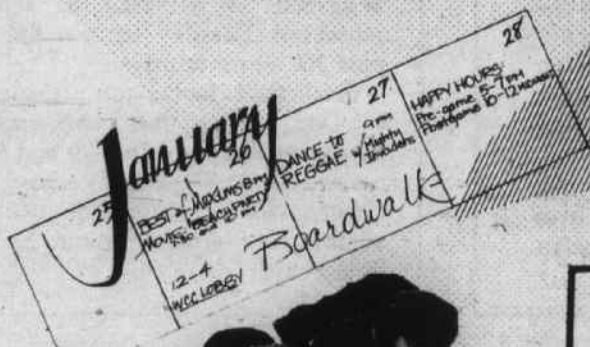
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